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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 29, 2008 concerning the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the remarks set forth herein:

Amendments to the Claims are provided in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.